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TO AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA IMMEDIATE

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FROM AF/C AND AF/EX

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: CGEN

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR CONSULAR COMMISSION

REF: BUJUMBURA 820 AND PREVIOUS

1. WE UNDERSTAND THAT PER CHANNEL SEPTTEL FRIDAY ADVISED  
YOU THAT ALLAIS CANNOT BE GRANTED CONSULAR COMMISSION, AND  
THAT HE, THEREFORE, CANNOT ISSUE VISAS.

2. WE HAVE CHECKED WITH CA BUREAU AND FIND THAT, WHILE  
REFERENCE YOU CITED IN BUJUMBURA 783 WOULD, THEORETICALLY,  
MAKE ALLAIS A QUOTE CONSULAR OFFICER UNQUOTE, HE CANNOT  
ISSUE VISAS, SIGN NOTARIALS, ETC., WITHOUT CONSULAR COM-  
MISSION IN HAND. THEREIN LIES THE CATCH-22.

3. THE OBVIOUS QUESTION AS TO WHY IT TOOK PER OVER ONE WEEK  
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TO ANSWER A NIACT IMMEDIATE MESSAGE REMAINS UNANSWERED IN  
OUR MINDS. AS YOU CAN WELL IMAGINE, EVERYONE CONCERNED  
WITH PERSONNEL MATTERS IN THIS BUILDING IS SWAMPED AT THIS  
TIME OF YEAR, BUT WE DO FEEL THAT, AT THE VERY LEAST, AN  
INTERIM RESPONSE SHOULD HAVE BEEN SENT YOU.

4. DURING THIS PERIOD WHEN POST UNABLE TO PERFORM NORMAL

FUNCTIONS, SUGGEST YOU COORDINATE WITH BUKAVU, KIGALI,

NAIROBI, OR EUROPEAN INTERCHANGE POST FOR ISSUANCE OF NIV'S  
AS NECESSARY.

5. WHILE IT MAY NOT BE NECESSARY WISH TO REMIND YOU THAT  
ANY FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER CAN ISSUE A PASSPORT. CHRISTOPHER

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